## OF PUREST RAY September, when the ground was very dry. At 15 o'clock at night be examined

ALL IS NOT DEW THAT GLISTENS. RENEATH THE FOLIAGE.

THEORIES EXPLODED BY SCIENCE.

Merely the Exudation of Watery Juices of Healthy Vegetation.

SOME INTERESTING EXPERIMENTS.

How Mother Earth Refreshes the Thirsty Plants and Diffuses Fragrance All Around for Mortals' Benefit.

If, on a summer evening, after the twillight's peaceful reign had successfed the sway of the brilliant sunshine, you saked one what was on your boots or trousers as you sped through the glistening meadow, studded with its lowing kine, you would be told-the dew. If, on a bright morning, when all nature was awakening from her balmy nightrest, you inquired about the diamond drops that in millions sparkled on the mountain's brow, the uniform answer would be-the dew. And if, on a visit to the garden, you see on the broccoll large, clear drops, translucent with gold light; or to the field, you see on the turnip blades crystal drops all a-tremble with Immaculate brilliancy, you would conclude that that is also—the dew. Now, that is not dew at all, says J. G. McPherson in "Longman's Magnzine." In all of these cases, where ninety-nine of every hundred intelligent people would dogmatically assure you of the long-cherished and undisputed opinion, the answers are wrong. Ruthless sci-ence has driven the sentiment out of the poetle mind.

The excretion of water by healthy, growing Jeaves has been long well known. The crowning merit of this discovery is due to the most indefatigable and marvelous perseverenceamounting to genius-of Mr. John Aitken, F. R. S., of Falkirk. He has conclusively proved that what has been so long called dew is merely the exudation of watery juices of the healthy vegetation. In the course of his painstaking investigation he selected a small turf, placed over it a glass receiver and left it till drops were excreted. Remov-ing the receiver, he selected a blade having a drop attached to it. He dried this blade and inserted its tip into a small glass receiver, so as to isolate it from the damp air of the larger receiver. The open end of the small receiver was closed by means of a very thin plate of metal cemented to it.

In the centre of this plate was pierced a small opening to admit the tip of the blade; but the opening was then care fully made air tight by means of an india-rubber solution. After a time, though this blade was thoroughly iso-lated, he saw that a drop was formed on the tip, of the same size as the drops formed on the blade under the large receiver. He, of course, was entitled to conclude that the drops on the outblade, as well as on the isolated blade, were really exuded by the plant, and not extracted from the air. Mr. Altken next observed that these excreted drops are formed on grass on other than dewy nights. After rain, if there be no wind, and the air near the ground is saturated, most of the blades were found to be tipped with a drop at the same night, a position which no falling rain-drop could keep. This experiment is so easily made by any one, that the in-terest and the information gained are ample reward for the little trouble taken

What has been for centuries called dew is not dew at all, but the watery juices of the healthy plants. But look over dead leaves and you see a fine pearly lustre-that is dew. Dead matter gets equally wet where equally exposed, and the moisture does not collect on it in regularly placed drops as it does on plants. If radiation continues after the sap drops have been forming for some time, the dew makes its appearance all over the surface. But whence comes the dew? Acute observers saw that the dew clad grass was chillier than the air above. In the beglaning of the seventeenth century, Nardius of Florence defined dew as an exhalation from the earth. Boyle detected that the dew on glass was formed by the precipitation of the sapor of the air upon a colder body. In 1733 Gur-sten assumed the authorship of the theory hinted at by Nardius, that dew e from the ground. But it was left to Dr. Wells to converge all the rays of scientific light upon the subject, and express in a clear and unambiguous manner the theory which, until about

adopted by scientific men. densed out of the air near the surface of the earth. His famous work, the "Essay on Dew," was published in 1814. The great salvance accomplished by I'r. Wells was to show that the amount of dew on any night, or on any body, depended on its powers of radiating heat at the time; that the more a dew it collected, that, in fact, dew was slipply a case of condensation of the vapor in the atmosphere; and that, therefore, a body, before it got dewed, was cooled by radiation to a tempera-ture below the dow-point at the place. But there was one thing wanting, that which he spoke of at times very indefnitely, the decided recognition of the dew which rose from the ground. This development was left to another man, an equally distinguished observer, a practical physicist, of whom Scotland has good reason to be proud.

Mr. Aitken challenged Dr. Wells' conclusions as to the source of the vapor that condenses on the radiating surfaces in the formation of dew. He was struck with the unvarying fact that the ground, a little below the surface. was warmer than the air over it. So long, then, as the surface of the ground is above the dew point, vapor must rise and pass from the ground into the air: the moist air so formed will mingle with the air above it, and its moisture will be condensed, forming dow wherever it omes in contact with a surface cooled clew the dew point. In order to test below the dew point. In order to test his bypotheds, Mr. Attken placed over the grass shallow boxes or trays male-of the plate and painted. These trays were three inches deep and more than a feet square in area: after sunnet they were placed in an inverted position over the grass to be tested. The ex-periments were made in August and

At 11 o'clock at night he examined the trays and found that there was always more moisture on the glass inside the trays than outside, that there was always a deposit of dew inside the trays and that there was often a deboalt outwas always less than on the inside, and s matimes there was no deposit outside when there was one inside. These facts which there was one inside. These facts evidently prove that far more vapor flees out of the ground during the night than condenses as dew on the grass. These trava very closely represent the natural conditions, for if we execute plants with large blades, we shall often find on dewy nights that those leaves which are close to the ground have their under surface heavily dewell, while their upper surfaces are dry. We while their upper surfaces heavily dewel, while their upper surfaces are dry. We observed this very particularly during last winter in the case of hoar frost, which is just "frozen dew." We examined a considerable number of broad leaves which were close on the ground with the case of the ground the considerable number of broad leaves which were close on the ground and found the under surface glistening with hear frost, while the upper sur-

face was dry.

Another method then suggested itself to Mr. Altken in order to strengthen his conclusions. He considered that if vapor continues to rise from the ground during dewy nights, as well as during lieved the anxiety under which the the day, the ground giving off vapor must lose weight. Accordingly he weighed a small area of the surface of the ground, before and after dew had formed, and found that during the formation of the dew vaper had escaped from the ground, because it had lost weight. He made this set of experiments: He papered a shallow pan six inches square and quarter inch deep and in it a slightly smaller piece of turf, which he cut out of the lawn. The pan and the turf were then carefully weighed in an open shed with a balance sensitive enough to turn with one-quarter grain. The turf was cut at sunset, when dew was forming.

After being weighed the pan and turf where placed in the open cut in the lawn where the turf had been cut out. They were left from 5:15 p. m. to 10:15 p. m. on October 7 and then weighed, when it was found that the loss of moisture was 24 grains out of 3,300 maisture was 24 grains out of 3,300 maisture. grains. Numerous experiments were made with similar results. This decisive test showed clearly that the soil loses weight and that vapor really arises from the ground even while dew is forming; therefore, the dew then found on the grass must have been formed out of the vapor rising from the ground at the time. The dew on the grass was, in fact, formed by the cold grass trapping the vapor as it rose from the round, the blades acting as a kind of ondenser. Mr. Aitken next set about making parallel experiments on the bare soil and was successful in finding similar results.

These two facts, then, have now been stablished: that what was long considered to be dew is merely the exudation of vigorous plants, and that true dew rises from the ground. Brilliant globules are produced by the vital action of the plant—the liquid being the in one of the most charming forms in the phenomena of nature, especially when the deep red setting sun makes them glisten all a-tremble with gold light; while an infinite number of minute but glistening particles of moisture bedeck the blade surfaces in the form of gentle dew, which has risen in water-vapor from the warm besom of Mother Earth, to refresh the thirsty plants and diffuse fragrance all around.

an officer and neglect of duty, not guilty, excepting as to fourth specification, that portion charging him with having been conspicuous in lottery, policy and gambling specialties, but the evidence shows that his actions have all been to the serious detriment of the policy and gambling frateralty and to the credit of himself as an officer and the department; of the latter portion of

the specification, not guilty.

Strauss Orchestra Concerts, The Strauss Orchestra a few months ago gave in Washington three of those particularly delightful concerts which have made the Blue Danube musicians and their music famous throughout the world. There is little to add in announcing their appearance at Albaugh's next Sunday night and at Lincoln Hall on Monday. Those who heard the performances then will desire to go again and those who heard of them only will undoubtedly hear them this time for never has waltz music been played with such enchanting and fascinating effect as it is by the Strauss Orchestra under the baton of Herr Eduard Strauss. This will be the last opportunity of hearing the orchestra in this city, for Herr Strauss and the entire band are booked to return to Vienna by the teamer Fulda on December 6. They ame over on a leave of absence granted y the Emperor of Austria, which leave xpires before the holidays. The court als at which they officiate begin then nd as all are court musicians they must be there.

Had a Right to He Hilarious. "There are more petty cases before me to-day than usual," said Judge Miller, "but I guess the majority of them are owing to the enthusiasm over the election." Arthur Simmons was accused of having disturbed the quiet of Georgetown. The officer told how bilarious and talkative Simmons had

"He had good reason to be hilarious, but did you hear him use any swear words," asked the Judge. "He certainly did," answered the

"Well, under the circumstances, I will impose a fine of \$5 and uspend judgment," repiled his Honor.

In the Maxy Walts.

The Unity Circle had their first private hop last evening at Shehlon's duncing hall on F street northwest. A collation was served at Burkhardt's restaurant, where a banner was pre-sented to the circle by the ladies, through Mr. Jacob G. Cohen, The banner was received by Mr. Lyons is an appropriate speach. Toasis were responded to by Massra. H. Rothschild, S. Munoheim, J. B. Nordlinger and J. H. Walderstein. The company returned to the half, where dancing was kept up until a late hour.

Dillon and O'Siries to Come Here. An invitation has been extended to Mesere. Dillon and O'Brien to be the courts of the Emerald Club in this city on December 17, when a grand ball will be given for the benefit of Freland. It is thought that the distinguished Ivishmen will spend at least fee days here during their mjourn in this country.

ACROSS THE SEA

THE ELECTION NEWS RECEIVED WITH REJOICING IN ENGLAND

General Booth Putting His visu in Operation-An Experimental Mission Established ... Uther

Foreign News. LONDON, Nov. 6. - The news of the American election was received with much rejoicing at Sheffield and Bradford where many people have been thrown out of work or are threatened with that misfortune on account of the McKinley tariff.

A dispatch from Rio Janeiro says that the Brazilian Government has under consideration the Imposition of a bigh duty on American kerosene of . The new decree that duties on imports shall be paid in gold, amounts to an increase of 25 per cent, on the tariff.

The delegates sent by the Welsh tin-

plate interests to America to study the altuation in the United States as affected by the McKipley tariff have returned home and made a report, which has re-Welsh tin-plate makers had been resting. They declare that even with the aid afforded by the tariff on the foreign article it will be impossible for American manufacturers to produce tin plate at a price and of a quality which will materially injure the demand for the Welsh product. The increased cost to the consumer after the tariff goes into effect will, they say, undoubtedly cause some falling off in the amount used. but this decrease must be comparatively small in an article of necessity like tin, the natural result of increased cost being economy in other less essential commodities. The deposits in America are spoken of as wholly inadequate. General Booth of the Salvation Army

has lost no time in putting in operation his great enterprise of redeeming the unfortunate masses of England. He has purchased for \$20,000 the old brewery at Shoreditch, and will fit it up as a house of refuge and school of industry. Other centres of the work will be established as speedily as possible in various parts of London, and when the metropolis is sufficiently provided for the work will be extended in circles

radiating from the original centre.

The General's promptness in entering upon the undertaking has produced a good impression. Funds have poured good impression. Funds have poured in upon him without any pledge on his part as to when they should be used, but it is regarded as a wise and honorable policy on his part to establish an experimental station whose workings can be observed both by those who have already contributed and those who are inclined to do so. The step also shows the General's confidence in his scheme for any failure of the sample. his scheme for any failure of the sample institution would have the effect of at once checking the flow of contributions.

The General urges all friends of the peor and unfortunate to aid in the work by giving him suggestions which may tend to make the enterprise more

useful and successful.

English naval engineers are congratuating themselves upon the fact that the Italian Government, after careful tests of the merits of the Armstrong and Krupp guns, has adopted the former for use in its new batteries. The result is the more gratifying, in view of the fact that Italy's political relations with Germany would naturally incline her to favor the German manufacturer, other things being search.

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It is announced that the lately formed BLOCK EXONERATED.

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the hat " Advices from Algiers state that the Sultan of Morocco recently had a narrow escape from assassination by nember of his black body guard, who had been subjected to discipline for some trifling offense. The would be assassin was promptly arrested and

Captain Moore has been, sent to Austraffa by the British war department to assist the Colonies in fortifying Torres Straits and other points against in

## NOVEL JEWELRY DESIGNS.

Birarre and Pleasing Varieties to in-vest One's Spare Change In.

From the Jeweler's Washiy. Ball earrings are again in style. New silver pencil cases are shown disculsed as penknives.

A huge walnut shell in oxidized sil-er is an ash-tray novelty just now. Charming new coin purses of woven sliver wire have sliding tops.

Cuff buttons come with ribbed barders surrounding polished centres.

Circular gold lockets are in vogue, with diamond centres in stone settings.

There is a silver pencil case made to rescaling a few feet of the contraction.

escende a flaming torch reduced in

A novel creation in queen chafu pen-dants is a small feather duster in gold. Colored pearls set singly in each link add beauty to an otherwise plain chain

Bunches of daisles stand out in hold relief on a dull gold match box of recent A chain of small daisies between two

flexible gold bands composes a new bracelet of an admired style. Among some new designs in brooches is a slace line of diamonds swaying between two upright bars.
Delightful, indeed, is a watch case

s a silver bon bon tray resembling in every detail a daintly gloved nand with diowed palm.

Hair-pins are now appearing with sold backs, the surface engraved with foral datales, which in turn, are endehed with precious stones. Eccentric tastes are catered to in an onys and gold negro head, with flery

only and gott aggre head, with hery ruby eyes, bearing a bread grin. As a scarf pin it will surely make friends. Two meanstone balls arranged diag-onally in a claw acting form the cen-tre ornament for a inite-edge bracelet. In the hair pin field, one topped by a row of five conch pearls sunk into an oxidized sliver band in a candidate for honors.

A neck pendant is shown, which represents in silver a strawberry. Though the shape of the fruit is not strictly fol-lowed the purpose of the designer is apparent.
There is a revival of the fushion of

wearing tillets for the hair and from the eauty and richness displayed in some on will be welcomed. The prevailing tasts seems to run in

the direction of snake bracelets which show two monsters with their bodies intertwined, their topaz heads, which point in opposite directions, forming

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To make Wine Company, 614 Fourteenth in will case you, cleaner your liver, and give a good argents. A COMIC OPERA STRIKE.

Mr. Lorke Falls in Pay Sutaries and the Company Wates Out New York, Nov. 6 - The Minnie Palmer Comic Opera Company, which, under the management of Locke & Davis, has been playing "Suzette" at Hermann's Theatre for the last several weeks, struck last night. They wanted their wages for last week. Mr. Locke was summoned by Mapager W. H. Morton of the theatre, and tried to persuade the company to on tried to persuate the company to go on by promising to pay them to day. Through the strike committee, composed of Miss Berths Ricca, the prima donna, and Charles S. Dickson, the players decided that If they got no pay the Impatient \$500 andience would get

Miss Palmer herself had no hand in the revolt, as she is not paid a salary, but receives a share of the carnings of the play. The elequence of Manager Morton and Mr. Regers, Minnie Palmer's husband, did not soften the hearts of the obdurate company. Mr. gers declared that Mr. Dickson has een queering the piece, anyhow, by introducing gags reflecting on the financial resources of Mr. Locke. Mr. Hogers called Mr. Dickson names, and Manager Morton had to interfere to prevent fistignifs.

Manager Morton, who had nothing to do with the payment of the company, went out and told the audience that on account of the indisposition of one of the members of the company there would be no performance, and that all money would be refunded at the box money would be refunded at the box effice. Thereupon, with some little growling, everybody got up, went to the box effice and got back his money, and went out. It is improbable that the company will appear to night.

Manager Morton sent a dispatch to Buffalo informing Hermann of the trouble, and asking him to come on and take the company's place. Manager Morton says Mr. Locke will be sued for not fulfilling his contract.

ot fulfilling his contract.

Mr. Locke has had lots of hard luck lately. He and Mrs. Davis are running a quintette of attractions. Two of their stars, Emma Juch and M. B. Of their stars, Emilia Juch and M. E. Curtis, who were to have appeared in Williamsburgh this week, couldn't do so on account of Illness. It is said by theatrical folk Locke & Davis' shows losing money, and that the successful ones don't make enough to cover the deficiency. The Minnie Palmer Opera Company probably will be dis

## T. P. O'CONNOR IN NEW YORK.

The Distinguished Journalist and Member of Parliament Arrives,

NEW YORK, Nov. 6 .- T. P. O'Connor, the sixth of the Irish Home Rule members, was landed here yesterday with his wife by the City of New York. The party is now complete, and will move at once to Philadelphia, where they are at once to Philadelphia, where they are sure their first meeting will be a tri-umphant success. The O'Connors are special favorites with all the South-erners who have visited London, where their house has been quite a rendezvous. Mrs. O'Connor was Miss Bessie Pascal, daughter of Judge Pascal of the Texas Supreme Court. She is a very clever

Supreme Court. She is a very clever woman, well known in literary circles here and in Boaton.

Mr. O'Connor met her while on his first trip here, in 1880, on behalf of the Irish cause. They were married three years after in London. As he has already made the Western tour, he may be given the Southern circuit that one section of the delegation will make, and his selection will be sure to bring him. his selection will be sure to bring him a warm reception among the many friends his wife and he have secured by

their London hospitality.
Mr. O'Connor says: "It is all nonsense to say that Balfour was received their decision in the case of Detective | condition; in fact, "spoiling for a venience themselves to welcome him. ago in London, at which several thoud pounds were subscribed to relieve the famine and distress in Ireland. This sum was handed to the Irish Parliamentary party to use at their

Mr. O'Connor said further that he is here to work with Mesers. Dillon and O'Brien, and would agree with them in all their plans. On board the ship many of the passengers expressed their sympathy for the Irish cause, and Mr. O'Connor received invitations to visit many of the large cities of the country.

A large number of persons attended the sale of boxes in the Hoffman House for the demonstration which will take place in the Metropolitan Opera House on Monday next, at which Messrs. O'Brien, Dillon, Harrington, Sullivan. Gill and O'Connor will speak. Mayor Grant bought the first box for \$115. Twenty five boxes were sold at prices ranging from \$30 to \$80 apiece. The distinguished Iriahmen will, however, speak in Philadelphia and Boston before coming to New York.

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